

the carbon black further includes mineral particles substantially uniformly distributed within the plastic material of that layer in a quantity between about 3% and 80% of the total weight of the layer. The packaging materials have superior light barrier properties over similar materials in the art, and can be used to enhance the packaging and storage of light-sensitive food products.

Replace the paragraph at page 1, line 12, with the following paragraph:

Both packaging material and packages of the type described above are known in the art. For example, there occur on the market bottles which are produced by a combined extrusion/blow moulding operation of such triple-layer material. The material in these bottles has an interjacent or intermediate layer of [HDPE] High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) with admixed particles of carbon black and outer layers of HDPE on both sides of the interjacent layer.

Replace the paragraph at page 1, line 18, with the following paragraph:

The prior art bottles are employed, [int. al.] inter alia for transporting so-called UHT milk, i.e. milk which, for the purpose of extending its shelf life, has been subjected to a heat treatment at [approx.] approximately 135-150°C during [approx.] approximately 1-2 seconds for reducing or eliminating the number of harmful micro-organisms occurring in the milk.

Replace the paragraph at page 4, line 3, with the following paragraph:

Examples of such polyolefin plastics are polyethylene, such as high density polyethylene (HDPE), and polypropylene (PP) of both homo- and copolymer type, such as